COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

SHOW CAUSE OF EAST KENTUCKY)
UTILITIES, INC., AS TO WHY) CASE NO. 9159
THE UTILITY SHOULD NOT REFUND)
ILLEGAL RATES BEING CHARGED)

ORDER

On July 17, 1984, East Kentucky Utilities, Inc., ("East Kentucky") filed for increased rates with this Commission in order to recover additional charges imposed upon it as a result of a temporary change in gas suppliers. The Commission found that an investigation in this matter was necessary and established a case, Case No. 9109, to review the reasonableness and the proper method and level of charges for any increased costs East Kentucky may incur.

The Commission has received numerous complaints from customers of East Kentucky claiming that the company is charging illegal rates. In a telephone conversation with a representative of East Kentucky, it was confirmed that East Kentucky is presently charging the proposed rates suspended by the Commission for investigation in Case No. 9109. These rates have not been approved and the Commission is of the opinion and finds that East Kentucky should immediately cease and desist from charging these rates. The Commission is also of the opinion and finds that a

hearing is necessary to determine the amount, if any, that East Kentucky should refund to its customers.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that East Kentucky shall appear and present evidence, if any it can, as to why it should not be required to refund monies collected from charges to customers in excess of its authorized rates.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that East Kentucky shall immediately cease and desist from charging rates in excess of the approved tariff rates on file with the Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a hearing in this matter shall be held on November 8, 1984, at 1:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, at the Commission's offices in Frankfort, Kentucky.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 17th day of October, 1984.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ATTEST: